



Terwilliger Fire

Wildfire Fact Sheet

Saturday, September 1, 2018 at 9:00AM



Inciweb: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/6160/>

Email: terwilligerfireinfo@gmail.com

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/willamettewildfires/>

Public Information Phone: (541) 719-8135

Media Information Phone: (541) 719-8203

Location: 5 miles southeast of Blue River, OR

Incident Command: Type 2 Northern Rockies Incident Management Team 4, Rick Connell, I.C.

Size: 8,122 acres

Containment: 23%

Personnel: 633

Community Meeting: A community meeting is scheduled for today, Saturday, September 1st at 7:00pm at the McKenzie High School. Fire managers will present updates on the Terwilliger Fire and be available to answer questions.

Current Status: Yesterday, fire behavior was more active as cloud cover departed, and lower humidity and warmer temperatures covered the fire area. On the southern perimeter of the fire, it continued to grow and progress up the Hardy Creek area in very rough terrain. The eastern front of the fire exhibited low intensity burning over Sawtooth Ridge and began to move slowly northeast towards the east fork of the south fork of the McKenzie River. The fire area north from Basalt Creek did not exhibit much growth. Personnel in that area continued to solidify a control line along FS Road 1986 and construct a containment line down a ridge toward the FS Road 19 with hand and saw crews. Fire fighters began burnout operations to secure the line.

Planned Actions: Fire behavior is expected to be similar to yesterday as low humidity, warm temperatures, and consistent winds at 10-12 miles per hour occur over the fire area. Fuels remain very dry throughout the region and will continue to contribute to high fire danger. The line constructed along the northern perimeter has seen major progress and began burning operations yesterday that expect to continue today as conditions allow. The northeastern perimeter will have saw work clearing snag trees along the FS Road 1993 and continued to touch up containment lines along the FS Road 551. The southern perimeter continues to be engaged when rough terrain allows. In addition, burnouts will continue to be utilized to secure the fires edge on this front.

Key Message: Over Labor Day weekend, visitors are expected to arrive and fill many local campgrounds. Closures and campfire bans will remain in place during this time. With fire activity being high and fire danger at very high for the Willamette National Forest, campfires are banned forest-wide, including at developed sites and in all wilderness areas. In addition to a ban on all campfires, smoking is not allowed, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, or a developed recreation site. Camp stoves that run on propane or liquid fuels and have an on/off switch are acceptable. For information on fire activity on the Willamette National Forest ranging from fire danger levels, public use restrictions, and official closures visit <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/willamette/alerts-notice>.

Closures: Willamette National Forest has implemented closure order # 06-18-01-18-19. Go to <http://go.usa.gov/xRnz7> for more details, a map and a link to the Forest Order, or on [Inciweb](https://inciweb) for a map and a pdf of the original Forest Order.

Temporary Flight Restrictions: Temporary flight restrictions (TFR) are in effect around the entire fire area. Remember, that temporary flight restrictions also apply to unmanned aircraft systems (drones). **If you fly, we can't!**

Air Quality: For smoke monitoring information, see Oregon Department of Environmental Quality <https://oraqi.deq.state.or.us/home/map> or <https://oregonSmoke.blogspot.com/> or <http://www.lrapa.org>

Cooperating Agencies: US Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, Oregon Department of Forestry, Upper McKenzie River Fire Department, Lane County Sheriff's Office, Lane County Emergency Management, US Army Corps of Engineers, Oregon Department of Transportation, Oregon State Fire Marshall, Campbell Global, Lane Regional Air Protection Agency.